



ATTACHMENT D

Marked Up Replacement Claims

Following herewith is a marked up copy of each rewritten claim.

1. (Amended) A process for producing a fluoroalkylcarboxylic acid of the formula RfCOOH wherein Rf is a C₁₋₁₆ fluoroalkyl group, which comprises oxidizing a fluoroalkyl alcohol of the formula RfCH₂OH wherein Rf is as defined above using nitric acid and feeding oxygen into the reaction system during the oxidation reaction to reduce the required amount of nitric acid to a stoichiometric amount or less relative to the fluoroalkyl alcohol.
5. Canceled.